

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. This would be okay if they were also going to broadcast an anti-Bush documentary also, however I haven't heard of one being aired. In my opinion the media is already favoring Bush with their news broadcast. I'm sure the major companies want Bush to remain in office, but the people of this country are tired of our votes not counting. Please stop this smear campaign.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.